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Louisiana gubernatorial candidate Mary Landrieu spoke about women in politics to a crowd of over 150 people on March 2 in the UC Theater.

Gubernatorial candidate notes women's political, social achievements

by **Heather Tuggle**
Associate Editor

In conjunction with Celebration of Women Week, Mary L. Landrieu, Louisiana State Treasurer and democratic gubernatorial candidate, gave a speech in the UC Theater March 2 on Women in Politics.

The speech was scheduled to start at 10:30 a.m., but previous engagements forced Landrieu to arrive 20 minutes late and an audience of over 150 to wait.

However, Landrieu's late arrival was not the audience's only surprise. Organizers invited Landrieu to campus in observance of Women's Week. After about 15 minutes of speaking on the accomplishments of women, Landrieu digressed and used the venue as a whistlestop on her campaign trail.

After an introduction by Dr. Ann McLaurin, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Landrieu, 39, began her speech by noting the political and societal achievements women have made.

"This is a time for you, as college students, to study the achievements of women; not only in the women who have struggled, but also of the men who have helped push for the equity of women," Landrieu said.

Landrieu also related the fight for women's rights to her own life and political career. A New Orleans native and LSU graduate, she said that while she had always held leadership positions in school and in extra-curricular activities, she never considered a career in politics until a friend introduced the idea.

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$80,000 donated to LSUS Foundation

by **Darren Svan**
Associate Editor

The Shreveport and Bossier business communities have donated $80,000 to the LSUS Foundation. $60,000 of the money will be used to give raises to "top faculty performers" and the remaining $20,000 will be given to the Noel Memorial Library.

The LSUS Foundation, the fund raising arm of the University, raises money on behalf of LSUS when state money isn't available.

Faculty Senate President Dr. Milton Finley said, "Last year the department deans ranked the performance of our faculty and part of this money will go to them. But I don't think anything is determined."

Finley said the rankings were based on: student evaluation, publication, community service and teaching.

"The decision was made by the provost in consultation with deans and chairs," Finley said. "Everybody has had input."

Dr. Ann McLaurin, dean of Liberal Arts, said, "In our college the chairs nominated top performers from each department. We compared all the faculty across all departments and came up with a list."

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Darling fails to get position

by **Alexis Alexander**
Editor

For the third time in as many months, Chancellor John Darling has interviewed at an out-of-state university for the President's post and failed to get the job.

Darling interviewed at North Dakota State University at Fargo in mid-February. David Wahlberg, director of university relations at NDSU, said Darling was a semi-finalist for the position. However, Darling's name was not on the list of finalists submitted to the North Dakota Board of Higher Education.

"We're not pursuing that any farther," Darling said. "They made a decision to look at some other folks."

Darling has also been considered for positions at the University of South Florida and Austin Peay State University in Tennessee. And most recently, he visited Bowling Green State University last weekend.

The Ohio university named Darling as one of six finalists for their head post. According to Darling, the interview "went fine."

This is the fifth time that Darling has been considered for a President's position at another university. In January, the Chancellor removed his name from consideration for the job at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas after interviewing at the campus.

New Dean named

by **Emilie Rachal**
Staff Writer

On June 5, Dr. Joe F. Goetz, director of graduate studies in business at the University of Tulsa, will become the dean of the College of Business.

"Dr. Goetz comes to us very highly recommended with a great deal of experience that seems most appropriate to our current needs at LSUS," said Chancellor John Darling.

Goetz's acceptance of the position was announced Monday. The appointment is subject to approval by the LSU board of Supervisors.

Seniors required to take proficiency test to graduate

by **Alexis Alexander**
Editor

Seniors who are scheduled to graduate this spring are required to take a test similar to the General Proficiency Exam in order to meet graduation requirements, according to a letter sent to students by Georgia Wills in Academic Affairs.

Students must pass a math proficiency exam and write an essay to establish proficiency in English. Both of these exams will be given on March 17 at 1 p.m. in BH110.

In a letter to Deans, Assistant Deans and Chairs, Wills said 52 graduating seniors have not taken the test, although students should take it after 45 credit hours.

Wills said in the letter, dated March 7, though the exam was suspended this semester, Faculty Senate members and other faculty requested that proficiency testing be continued. Regular testing will resume in the fall, said Wills.

For more information, or if you have any questions, contact Wills at 797-5285.

Hastings: documents indicate UFOs are real

by **Darren Svan**
Associate Editor

Robert Hastings delivered a 30-minute slide show and an hour-long lecture on the hidden history of UFOs to a near capacity crowd last Friday night, March 3, in the LSUS University Theater.

Hastings, an electron microscopist, is also an independent UFO researcher and lecturer who speaks at universities nationwide.

Hastings began the lecture with a slide show on government documents concerning UFOs, including some pictures of unknown flying objects. His research material dated from the middle 1940s to the late 1980s.

He said his interest in UFOs began in 1967 when he was at an air traffic control tower at Malmstrom Air Force Base, near Great Falls, Montana.

"Five UFOs were tracked on radar for several minutes," he said, "and jets were launched from Malmstrom to attempt an intercept of them. I later learned from Air Force sources that as the jets closed in, the objects left the area at an extremely high rate of speed - estimated at 5,000 mph - far beyond the capability of any conventional aircraft."

Hastings said, "by 1973 I began to actively interview former and retired Air Force personnel regarding classified UFO incidents.

"At the same time I became aware of the work of a group of individuals called the National Investigations committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP). This group had on its board of governors over the years: the first director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), chief of the Navy's first guided missile program, and a former U.S. Senator. In short, not your average batch of UFO kooks," Hastings said.

Hastings read a statement which had been delivered at a 1962 NICAP press conference in Washington. The author of the statement was Admiral Rosco Pilencoater, the first director of the CIA:

"I know that neither Russia nor this country has anything even approaching such high speeds and maneuvering. Behind the scenes high ranking officers are soberly concerned about the UFOs, but through official secrecy and ridicule many citizens are lead to believe that the unknown flying objects are nonsense."

In the 1970s, NICAP and other concerned groups began using the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), a federal law that allows individuals to petition most government agencies for the release of classified information as long as the information doesn't jeopardize national security.

Hastings said, "In a nutshell what these documents indicate beyond a reasonable doubt is that so called flying saucers do indeed exist and are neither American nor Russian secret weapons.

"And you will see... despite repeated denials of the government, in reality behind the scenes the highest levels of U.S. Military and intelligence community, not only fully accept the reality of UFOs they have judged them to be a national security matter."

Photo by Alexis Alexander

Noted UFO lecturer Robert Hastings presented a slide show and lecture on the hidden history of UFOs on March 3 in the UC Theater. Hastings spoke to a capacity crowd.

One FBI memorandum, dated January 1949, directed to then FBI Director J. Edger Hoover, reported sightings near the Los Alamos National Laboratories:

"At weekly intelligence conferences of G2 (Army Intelligence), officers of the G2 have discussed the matter of unidentified aircraft or aerial phenomena. This matter is considered top secret by Intelligence officers of both Army and the Air Force.

"Persons at the lab to observe the UFOs were special agents of the Office of Special Investigations - that's Air Force Counter Intelligence, airline pilots, military pilots, Los Alamos Security Inspectors and private citizens."

Hastings said, "I'm not on a romantic quest, and I've got no illusions about one person being able to change the government's policy of secrecy on UFOs.

"Basically, I'm intensely committed to bringing the facts before the public. I believe that we are on the threshold of an extremely exciting period in the history of Mankind. Only time will tell."

More hours required for summer aid

by **Margaret Holt**
Staff Writer

Students hoping to receive financial aid for summer school this year will be required to take seven hours instead of the usual six hours to be considered full-time, and four hours instead of three to be considered half-time.

Ed Chase, LSUS financial aid director, said the reason for the change is the Department of Education has defined an academic year for purposes of receiving financial aid.

Regulations state that an academic year must be a minimum of 30 weeks, and the LSUS academic year is 32 weeks. This includes only the weeks that classes or exams are taking place.

According to Chase, the financial aid office had always followed the school's definition of full-time and half-time prior to the regulation. So, for student aid purposes during non-standard terms such as summer, full-time was always six hours and half-time was always three hours.

Chase said the regulation is really nothing new. It has actually been in effect for two years, but last year it just happened to work out that the summer term was eight weeks long.

Eight weeks is exactly one-fourth of the total academic year, so the hours worked out the same and no change was necessary to receive financial aid. This year's term is nine weeks, so it works out that seven hours is full-time and four hours is half-time.

Chase said the reason for the longer term is that a majority of faculty members felt that the two mini-terms offered needed to be longer than they had been in the past.

Chase said it is important for students to be aware of this change because this is the first time ever that LSUS has required students to take more than three hours in the summer to be considered for financial aid.

He said as long as students realize this when they pre-register and when they apply for aid, they should not have any problems.

However, Chase said if students choose to ignore the required hours, it may be too late to add another class, and they will have difficulties getting their checks in time to pay their fees.

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Math instructor becomes United States citizen

by **Chuck Phillips**
Staff Writer

One of the biggest controversies in America today is over illegal immigration. We hear stories about those that want the American dream, but are not willing to play by the rules to achieve that goal.

LSUS math instructor Leonor Eklund is different. She played by the rules and, on February 23, became a U.S. citizen.

Eklund, origninally from Bogota, Columbia, came to the United States in 1971 on an academic scholarship to Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania.

After earning a master's degree in mathematics, Eklund married an American citizen and started a family. Her husband is an instructor at Centenary College and they have two children, ages 18 and 20. The oldest is a student at Notre Dame.

Eklund is a very humble and somewhat private person. She seemed a bit embarrassed to discuss the process she went through to become an American citizen.

Family comes first in her life. "It took me all of these years to decide to become a citizen because I was raising two kids," Eklund said.

When she finally decided to apply for citizen status, she went to New Orleans and spoke with a representative for the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Eklund said that "they just wanted to know if I was a good person and could read and write English." Apparently she impressed the INS representative because her application was approved on the spot.

Eklund said that after the interview, her next step was to go in front of a judge and take the oath. She had been waiting since Novemeber, and finally got a letter telling her to come to the Court House on February 23.

"I was a little nervous, but excited. I got more excited when I saw all the others from different countries," Eklund said. Along with the professor, 53 other people took the oath that day.

"The judge wore a red robe," said Eklund. "I didn't know they wore anything but black robes." The judge said red robes are worn for happy occasions.

After the INS representative presented the group to the judge, they were given the oath ("the same one the president takes," said Eklund). The new citizens signed a certificate stating that they were officially U.S. citizens.

"That made me a citizen," she said. Eklund said she is going to put the certificate in a safe place because, "I did not lose my accent after becoming a citizen, so I might need it to prove that I am an American."

Eklund said that one of the nicest things that the judge said after administering the oath was, 'this country is better now than it was one hour ago.'

In a country founded by immigrants, that statement sums up the patriotic feelings most Americans have experienced at one time or another.

As far as Eklund is concerned, she just said, "I am ready to vote."

Photo by Alexis Alexander

Leonor Eklund, instructor of mathematics, reviews papers in her office before class. Eklund, a native of Bogota, Colombia, was naturalized as a United States citizen Feb. 23.

SGA elections scheduled for next week could move

by **Alexis Alexander**
Editor

The Student Government Association elections that are scheduled for next Thursday and Friday could be moved back a week pending the approval of a new bill by the Senate, said Kevin Eades, SGA President.

The bill, submitted by Davell McKay, would initiate telephone voting for the spring elections. The bill proposes telephone voting to increase voter participation and to allow the polls to be open longer hours for night students.

The bill states: "There are disadvantages (fraud) to the telephone voting system, (but) the advantages (inexpensive, better voter turnout) will outweigh them." The fall election's voter base was 3.125 percent, according to the bill.

Telephone voting, said Eades, is a joint operation between the SGA and the administration. If enacted, telephone voting hours are tentatively scheduled for 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.. The dates have not yet been decided.

"To move the election back a week will give the Election Board more time to prepare for the election and give the candidates more time to campaign," Eades said.

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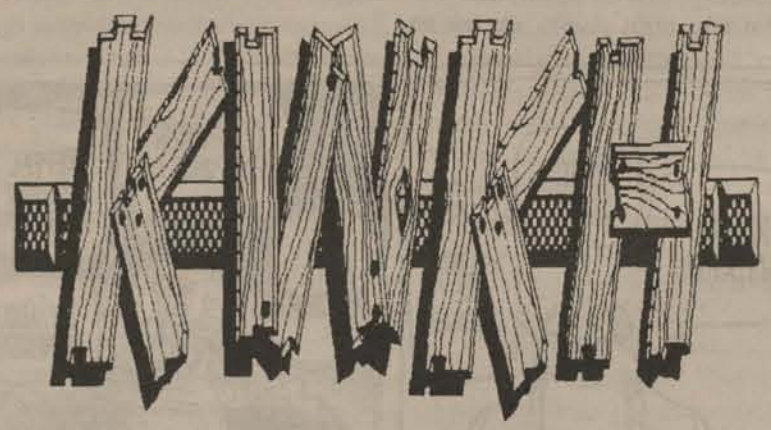

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From the Editor

Student apathy can be cured through telephone voting

History is destined to repeat itself next week. Once again, the Student Government Association will hold elections for officers and senators, and once again students will not participate in the election.

It is not being pessimistic, but only being truthful. In the last few years, an embarrassingly low number of students have voted for their student body president or college senators to represent their views and ideas and present them to the administration.

The SGA has resolved to do something about student apathy on this campus this semester, and it is about time.

Seeing a need to increase voter turnout in SGA elections, one senator presented a bill to the Student Senate proposing telephone voting, for this spring's elections.

Telephone voting would utilize the same system that is used in phone registration. SGA elections would be listed as a menu choice.

Low voter turnout can be attributed to the hours the polls were open. Most students that take night classes are not on campus during the day and are not able to come to school to vote during the day.

Once upon a time (and I haven't been at this university as long as some of my peers) during elections, there were voting tables located in each building. Since then, budgets have been cut and the SGA has not been excluded from the swing of the axe.

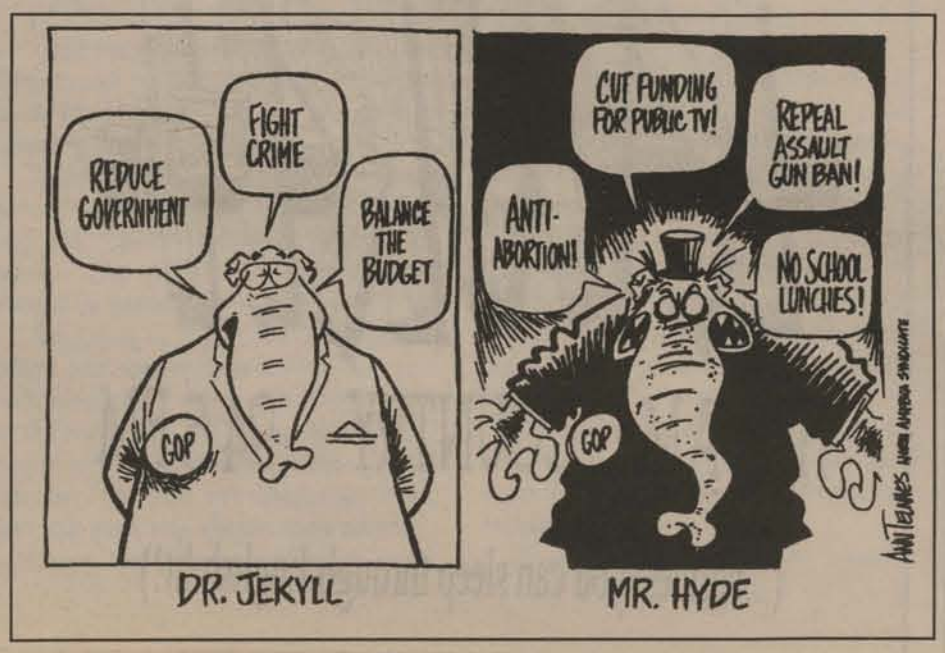
One lone table now sits alone in the University Center for several hours during election days. Many students do not regularly step foot out of their college, much less out the door and to the UC.

So it only makes sense that in the age of the information superhighway and the slacker generation that the election is placed at students' fingertips.

The bill that was presented to the Senate points out that there are advantages as well as disadvantages to telephone voting.

But the advantages--inexpensive, better voter turnout-- outweigh any problem that could occur with the new system.

Alexis Alexander



Sixteen hour drive for pig a true test of friendship

Mardi Gras weekend was a good time to be me, and I was nowhere near New Orleans. As much as I enjoy being mugged, there were better things to do on Lake Bisteneau.

Drew White

Every February brings the Unstoppable Pig Roast. There are multiple pigs, an Elvis impersonator, one or two beers, and this year: rental cars.

It rarely, if ever, gets any better than this. People are drawn from near and far to frolic amongst the cyprus trees and mud that is Bisteneau. There are those who get depressed during the more traditional holidays, but the Pig Roast acts as a sort of anti-depressant. A greasy Prozac, if you will.

The most enjoyable part of all of this is that it serves as an opportunity to reunite with old friends. This year was better than most for this purpose, with friends of mine coming from all over the country. Hard to imagine driving for sixteen hours for a plate of pig, isn't it? Only a true friend would drive this distance to shorten his life by several months.

The number of friends I have collected over the years has made me very content in my old age. My best friend to this day is a guy I met when I was four-years-old. This seems to be the exception to the rule. This guy came in from Virginia because duty called. After putting up with each other for twenty-four years, he was obligated to attend.

All of the other long-distance attendees were friends made in college, or in the Navy. This seems to be a pattern which repeats itself for most people.

The friends you make up until high school graduation are made by sheer chance. Only random chance assigns you to a school which contains one person worthy of being a lifelong friend. Once on your own, you will tend to gravitate towards activities and locations that interest you, and it is here that most friends are made. Results may vary.

Dedicated readers of my column (hi, Mom!) will recall a piece I did near Christmas on the lives of some of my military friends. Military life can appear bleak during the holidays, but luckily, the Pig Roast is not like most holidays.

Several of the guys mentioned in that previous column were able to find the time to travel to Lake Bisteneau. The Navy kept them at work for Thanksgiving and Christmas, but was unable to prevent them from attending the Pig Roast. Life is good.

All of these fellows will be civilians again in the near future. All of them are enrolling in school upon discharge. All of them have plans and goals and direction. All of us will keep in touch. This is what friendship is about.

Over the last few weeks, I am afraid that I may have lost two friends. A long series of misunderstandings may well be to blame for this loss. There is little excuse for this. Friends are never as easy to regain as they are to gain.

Take care of the friends you have now, and never fail to make new ones when the opportunity arises. The friends you make at LSUS will most likely be your friends for life. Don't blow it.

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'Macho types' face blues with boating frenzy

Chuck Phillips

This time of year can really be a bummer for us rugged, outdoors, macho types. Football season is over, hunting season is over, and it is not quite warm enough to go fishing. What do you do during that time?

What my dad did was buy a boat in anticipation of the balmy days of summer that lie so teasingly ahead. Now this just isn't any boat. This boat is special. This boat is a bass pro, super-charged, that will lead you to where the bass are while you kick back and sip on a Coke. Okay, maybe not now, but we have about four weeks to get this bad boy ready for action.

The first order of business was to get the motor up and running. We took the rig to some red-neck boat mechanics out in the sticks. As we pulled the boat into their yard, blood hounds and chickens scattered. In the distance was the faint sound of a banjo. (I still get shivers when I think about it.)

After honking the horn twice, waiting 30 seconds, blowing a duck call once and firing five rounds of 12 gauge buckshot into a scarecrow that resembled Janet Reno, Clem appeared.

I should have run but I was awestruck. Out of the spanish moss covering stepped a man wearing, what else, overalls and a grease-stained baseball hat. The hat was so dirty I couldn't make out all of what it said, but what I saw confirmed my suspicion that Clem was either an idiot or just couldn't read. All I could make out was "Clinton for ...something or other."

Anyway, dad explained to Clem that he wanted to get the motor tuned up and ready for fishing season. Old Clem assured us that he was the man for the job and would gladly do the work for a very reasonable price. The cost? Two pounds of beef jerky and a new sheep. I didn't ask.

Clem was good to his word. By the time the weekend rolled around, the Bad Boy Bass Buster 2000 was ready for a trial run. Clem told us that he had made a few adjustments on the motor and that we should use alcohol instead of gas in the tanks.

We had to wait a couple of more weeks before we could take BBBB 20000 (I know I added an extra 0 to the name, but this thing is bad) out, but finally, a weekend with clear weather and no wind. Dad and I were ready. Clem had told us we better go to open water to run the boat all out, so we went to Cross Lake.

As we launched the boat, I began noticing all of the other men and their rigs around us. Many of them had country tapes playing in their boat's tape deck and all were named Bubba. Their boats were all pretty and shiny, each with those sparkle looking things that they put in boat paint to give it that disco look.

We got many looks from the Bubbas that lined the shore. Apparently, we were not "their type." We are educated. Many of these folks let out a snide snicker or two as we began going over our pre-flight, I mean pre-ride, check list. For years, dad and I have been less than successful in our outdoors endeavors, but we were commited to making this time different.

After securing all of the equipment, checking to make sure the plug was in the boat (last time I forgot, I almost drowned), and contacting Barksdale Air Command to make sure they didn't misread us as a missile, we were ready.

Dad fired up BBBB 200000 (I know), and the water level dropped six inches as the engine sucked up the liquid to cool down the mounting heat. Dad eased the throttle forward, and the boat began to slide through the water. Shore-bound hicks gasped as dad ignited the afterburner, slammed the throttle forward and we were gone.

I am not sure how long we were gone, but when we got back to the shore, I noticed a couple of guys that looked just like us in an identical boat, just taking off. The boys in the fancy boats just cried.

Today, the boat rests in a hanger we built next to my house, Dad and I are using the next few weeks to get the boat ready to go. We are going to make a trip to a government auction this weekend in hopes of buying a depth charge launcher from an old PT-Boat. Then we are off to Houston where we are planning a trip to NASA in hopes of obtaining one of those new shuttle guidance systems.

That's the status so far, I will keep you up to date as the warm weather approaches and we get BBBB 2000000 ready to go. Let me know if any of you know where I can pick up a couple of ejection seats.

David, Goliath revisited: U.S. Senate sees giant fall

Darren Svan
Guest Columnist

When our country was still in diapers and the founders were trying to create the perfect governmental system out of the Articles of Confederation, equal representation was a hotly contested issue. In the U.S. Senate each state has equal representation. But, in the House of Representatives, densely populated states benefit greatly from their size. The great equalizer was recognized in the U. S. Senate March 2 when the Balanced-Budget amendment was defeated 65-35.

Two Democrats from North Dakota - Kent Conrad and Byron Dorgan - stood down intense pressure from the Grand Old Party and voted no. North Dakota? I bet Senator Dole knows where North Dakota is. Dole and company were banking on one of these two Senators to pass the amendment.

Dole's counterpart in the House of Representatives - Newt Gingrich - pushed the amendment through in unprecedented time. I can't recall the House moving legislation through so quickly. From what I understand, Congressman Gingrich has his troops in line. After Tuesday, the country will be looking at Senator Dole in a new light - especially if he makes a successful run for the Republican nomination.

I send my congratulations to the two Senators from North Dakota. It must have seemed like they were taking on all of Washington last week. The beleaguered Democrats haven't been able to rally a counter attack since the November elections that saw them lose control in Congress.

As the battle raged, Conrad and Dorgan were probably tongue lashed constantly by their Republican peers in the Senate. Their phones were probably ringing off the wall as the vote loomed near. Senate Republicans even went on national television saying "anyone who didn't vote for this amendment would not be back after the next election." Even Rush was making a last ditched effort to win this one.

The next question is: Why did they endure so much pressure, and possibly their seat, for something the American people wanted? It was reported in the New York *Times* that newspapers in North Dakota read: "Hometown Heroes" and "The North Dakota Duo."

It looks like the people of North Dakota didn't want the amendment to pass. For whatever reasons North Dakotans supported their Senators, it was the right decision.

My concern was that Republicans side stepped the issue of the Social Security trust fund. It seems a little odd that they were willing to compromise with Democratic Senators on issues like judicial intervention in the budget, but were not willing to even look at the idea of excluding the Social Security trust fund. If they planned on using that money to try and balance the budget I think we should have been told.

The whole issue of the Social Security trust fund is something that congress desperately needs to sort out. Former President Reagan created the tax to partially bail out the Social Security system for future generations. But Congress is presently using the money to pay for government programs instead of setting aside the trust fund for future Social Security benefactors.

Congressional Democrats don't hold the high ground on this issue. They use the trust fund to reduce the appearance of the budget in order to show a smaller deficit to the American people. Its time to get to work and stop all the rhetoric. You don't need an amendment to balance the budget, you need guts.

Financial woes lead to war

Letters to the editor

To the Editor:

By now everyone has heard of the $40 billion in loans the President along with the World bank and its creditors (Japan, Germany, Great Britain, France, and the United States) have guaranteed to Mexico. This international financial bailout brings to the forefront one piercing question: Who is in charge of the United States' foreign policy? There is obviously one answer: Wall Street.

This loan guarantee is another example of the legalized money laundering which has pervaded every sector of today's financial world. These payments represent a growing problem in the area of debt financing. The World Bank, since its creation in 1946, has yet to suffer a default on any of its loans. This statistic seems to be a positive statistic. However, it uncovers the exact nature of the problem: The World Bank pays off previous loans by issuing larger loans or by decreasing interest revenues. Thus, I wonder why not one default has been recorded. Mexico is no exception to the rule. Instead, Mexico is the status quo.

Where was the monetary support for Boris Yeltsin's Democratic reforms in 1992? I am not asking where was the $40 billion; rather, where was the $8 billion that Russia desperately sought? The President and Congress declared the well to be dry. I fear that in all actuality it is dry. Historically speaking, there is but one way our politicians know to refill it. That method of financial regeneration is war. And war is exactly what we are staring in the face.

Any action taken in the near future in Eastern Europe will be in vain. Time to act has come and gone with the traces of democracy in Russia.Hardliners have reemerged and Communism is alive again. Of course the intelligent mind never understood the overzealous nature

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Say it in a Letter to the Editor.

Education forum sponsors noted professor, author

Press Release

"Literature, Libraries and Learning" is the theme of the 17th Annual LSUS Education Forum, an event which each year brings a noted national leader an education to the campus. Presenting this year's Donald E. Shipp Honor Lecture is Dr. Margaret Mary Kimmel.

Kimmel, a professor and chair of the Department of Library Science, School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburgh, teaches a variety of courses related to children, literature and library services.

She has lectured extensively in the United States and conducts workshops for teachers, librarians, parents and children.

Kimmel was commissioned by the State Department of Spain as a lecturer on American children's literature. As a guest of the French Ministry of Culture, Kimmel evaluated libraries and museums in Paris. She served as a visiting professor in the College of Librianship, Wales, and studied libraries in Great Britain, Germany and France.

Kimmel is the author of *Magic in the Mist* and *For Reading Out Loud!* and has appeared as a storyteller on the children's TV program "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood."

Currently, she is working on a book documenting the contributions of Fred Rogers to children's television which will be published later this year.

The LSUS Education Forum is held during the spring semester each year. Under the leadership of Dr. Joe Green, the first forum was held in 1979 primarily to enrich graduate studies in education. the program seeks to stimulate thought, dialogue and active response to cogent issues in the field of teacher education.

Since 1981, the focal point of the forum has been the Donald E. Shipp Honor Lecture featuring a presentation from a prominent leader in education.

This year's lecture is scheduled for Thursday, March 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the Noel Memorial Library. The program is sponsored by the LSUS Department of Education and is open to the public.

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33 French friend
34 Goldfish's home
36 Prom wear
37 Semi-precious stone
38 Uses a stopwatch
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41 Theater offering
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52 Baseball's Jesus
53 Buffalo's lake
54 Red or Dead
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24 SST, e.g.
25 Actress Hagen
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29 Actress Irving
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39 "—, I'm Adam"
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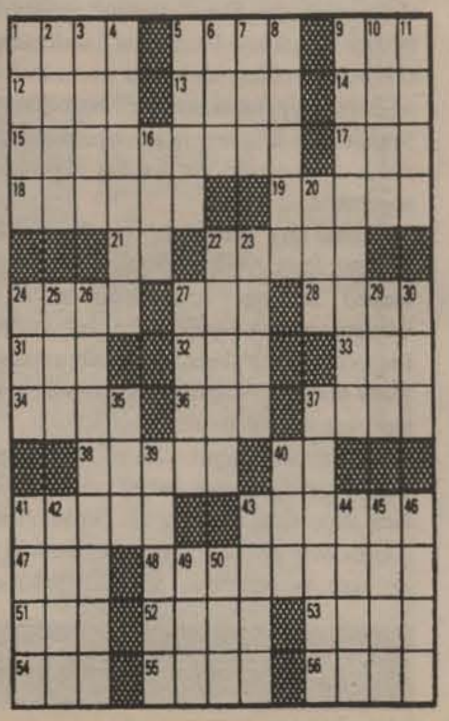

Debate team posts best record in last five years

by **Alexis Alexander**
Editor

The LSUS Debate Team took the third place Overall Sweepstakes award at the 1995 Mardi Gras Invitational Debate Tournament held in Baton Rouge, Feb. 24-26.

Traditionally the largest competition in the area because of its Mardi Gras theme, the tournament hosted 34 schools from 12 states.

Debaters Jimmy Rubio, Stephen Krefft and Sriharshi Tanguturi posted wins during the three-day tournament which clinched the award. Krefft and Tanguturi closed out their division taking first and second place in Lincoln Douglas Debate.

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This was the fifth time that Krefft has taken first place in the last six regional tournaments.

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The team beat teams from Southwest Texas State University and Northeast Louisiana University to shut out the Lincoln Douglas debate division.

Rubio took the first place Debate Speaker award and also won first place in four speaking events including persuasive speaking and prose and poetry interpretation. He was a finalist in seven of the 11 speaking events and took the first place Pentathlon award for students who enter five or more events.

The size of the tournament and the number of first place trophies awarded to LSUS make this the team's best performance in the past five years.

The next competition for the debaters will be the Louisiana State Championships to be held in Monroe in March. The team is first seed going into that competition.

Also in late March, the Debate team will host the Bi-Annual Pi Kappa Delta National Debate Fraternity Tournament, March 23-25. About 100 schools from all over the nation will attend the tournament that will be held on campus. Louisiana Tech is also helping to sponsor the event.

Debate squads from Guam to Alaska will come to compete in this tournament. "It's people we never get to meet because we don't have a travel budget," said Jorgi Jarzabek, Director of Debate.

"This is a big deal," Jarzabek said; this tournament has been two years in the making. Faculty have donated time from their spring break to help judge, but Jarzabek still needs student help and qualified bodies to help judge events.

The PKD tournament will bring "a lot of national attention to Shreveport," Jarzabek said. She hopes students, faculty, staff and the community will come to the events to see what effort is put into a debate tournament.

Co-workers establish fund for physical plant employee

by **David Raiford**
Staff Writer

L.H. Williams, an LSUS physical plant worker, suffered a brain anurisym a few weeks ago. Williams is now out of the hospital after a lengthy stay at LSU-Medical Center. According to his doctors, he will suffer some permanent damage from his illness.

Like a lot of people who suffer a debilitating illness, Williams physical recovery is only half of his battle. The other battle he and his family must face is how to cope with the astronomical costs of medicine, therapy, and other health related costs.

As an LSUS employee for over seven years, Williams does have some sick leave time. However, Williams sick leave will run out at the end of this month. Due to the extent of his injuries, it is not known if he will be able to return to work, and he will not be eligible for any emergency sick leave funds for another ninety days. Meanwhile his medical bills must be paid.

Fortunately Williams has many friends among his co-workers. A fund has been set up for Williams and his family. If you would like to contribute any amount please contact the following: Lottie Huckaby, BH 123; Carolyn Wilburn, ADM 112; Vivian Garcie, Library 125; Donna Carney, BE 339; Sandra Brown, SC 104; Leah Sowell, Physical Plant; Lucinda Thornton, UC; and Devora Rachal, HPE.

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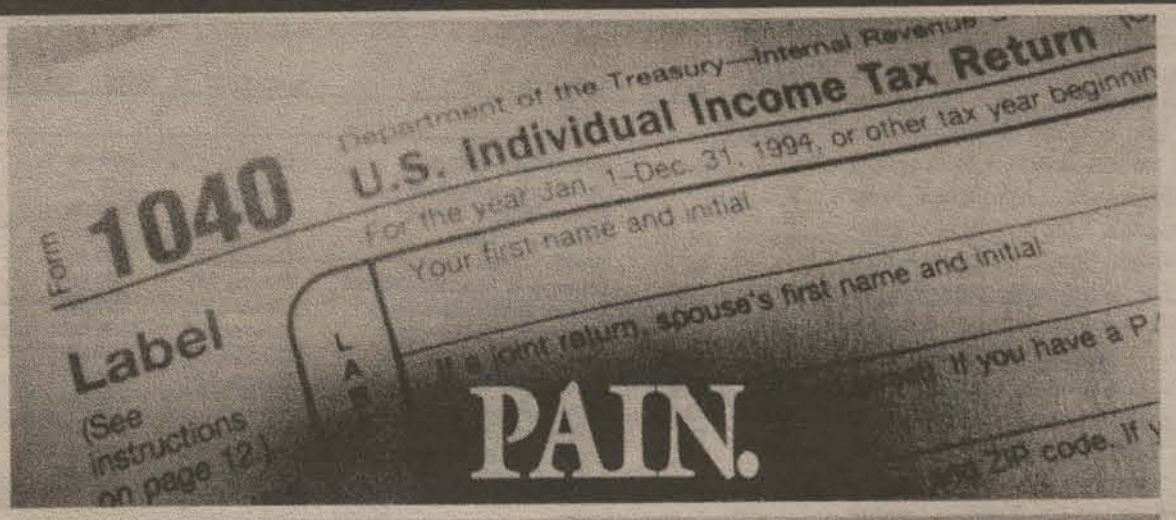
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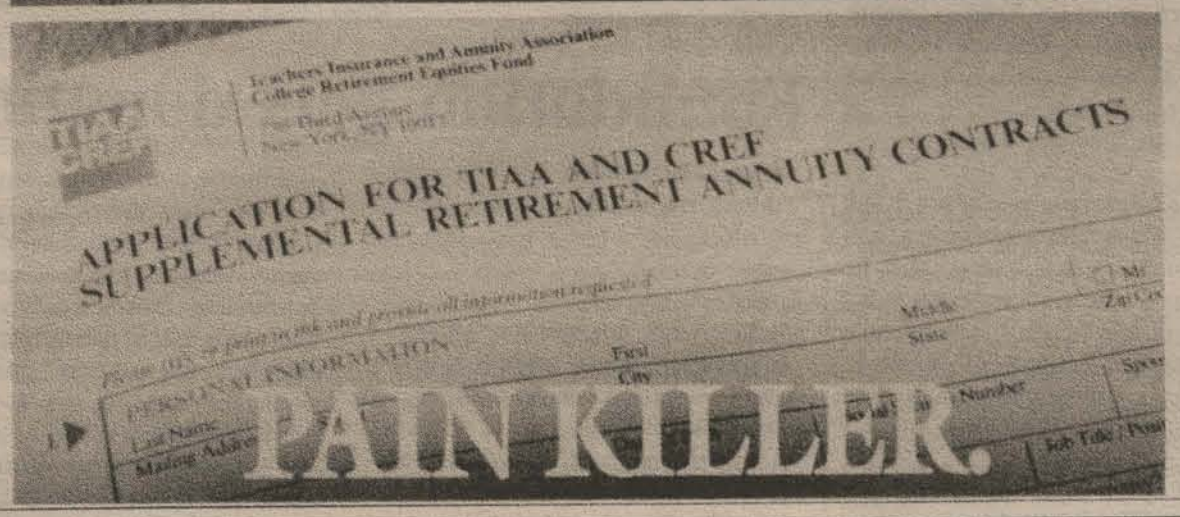

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United States must not continue to play numbers game

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of the American media and more depressingly the University to declare Communism dead. No, the only thing dead is former President Ronald Reagan.

President Clinton must take the initiative. Time is running out. Wall Street must take a back seat. President Clinton must not align himself with these powerful financiers. He is the representative of all the people of this great country. Let us hold him responsible for all actions taken on our behalf, both domestic and abroad. Let us allow our neighbors to the South to have that same democratic freedom. The United States has a long history of attempting to control Mexico's destiny by force and by diplomacy.

The United States must not continue to play numbers games. the numbers involve dollars today, they may involve the lives of young Americans in the near future. In short, the President, the Congress, and the World Bank must act in the interest of democratic preservation not free market ideology, especially since the profit motif does not apply to them anyway.

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Campus Briefs

☑ ***A Study Tour of Japan***. The Japanese Club is planning a trip to Japan from May 22-June 16. For more information call Meiko Peek at 797-5250.

☑ ***New Math Help Lab.*** Math 226, conducted by Dr. Cindy Sisson on Mondays in BH 438, 3 - 4:30 p.m.

☑ ***Leadership Series:*** "Taking Charge: The Magic of Personal Leadership," by Dr. Larry pace. 10:30 a.m., Thurs. March 16, UC Red River Room

☑ ***The Hon. Isao Ohtsuka, Consul General of Japan, will visit LSUS*** March 16 - 17 to announce two Japanese Foundation grants. For more information, call Virginia Lincove.

☑ ***3 - 3 and 2 - 2 volleyball tournament***, April 8. Sponsored by the H&PE Club, the tournament will be played on the sand courts. Registration is $5 per team due March 31. Pick up forms in H&PE 207. Prizes will be awarded. For more information, call Maxie Foster at 797-5114.

☑ ***LSUS Alumni Association is collecting used children's books***, used reference books or magazines with pictures suitable for homework projects. These materials will be donated to the Youth Enrichment Program (YEP) which offers after-school care to at-risk elementary school children. For more information, call Phyllis Graham, 797-5202.

☑ ***Academic Awards Convocation***, March 12, 2 p.m., UC Theater

☑ ***LSUS Student Art Show*** UC Gallery, March 13 - 31. For hours, call 797-5393.

☑ ***"Last of the Red Hot Lovers,"*** presented by the Repertory Theater of America Alpha-Omega Players, Thurs., April 6, 7:30 p.m., UC Ballroom. Ticket prices TBA.

☑ ***"Eat, Drink and Be Merry,"*** Spring Fling, April 6 - 7, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mall area. Live entertainment, food and fun. FREE admission and open to the community.

☑ American citizens who are returning sophomore, junior, or senior students majoring in programs in the College of Education are eligible to apply or be nominated for the 1995 B.E. Tabarlet Scholarship Award. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade average and exhibit significant professional promise. The scholarship amount this year is $250. Applications are located in the College of Education offices and are due on or before noon on March 17. For more information, contact the College of Education, BE 117.

☑ ***March is LSUS Wellness month*** sponsored by HCA Highland Hospital, LSUS SGA, and the LSUS Counseling Center. Free cholesterol testing will be conducted on Thursday, March 16.

☑ ***Group leaders are needed for SOAR*** (Summer Orientation, Advising and Registration). Group leaders will be selected and trained to assist incoming freshmen in making the transition from high school to a university environment. For more information, call the Counseling Center, 797-5365.

☑ ***The English Club will have a book sale*** from Wed., March 15 to Sat., March 18 on the second floor of Bronson Hall. Books will be fairly cheap. Hours are: Wed. 10 a.m.-3p.m.; Thurs. 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fri. 10a.m.-3p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

☑ ***Mary Wilson "A Supreme Evening,"*** Sat., March 11, 8 p.m., Civic Theater. Tickets on sale at the Bookstore.

☑ ***Comical magic of Brad Montgomery***. &:30 p.m., Monday, March 27 at the UC Theater. Admission is free with one canned good per person. Tickets are $1without a canned good. LSUS will donate goods to Hospitality House.

Submissions for Campus Briefs should be submitted to *The Almagest*, BH 344, before noon on the Friday preceding publication.

Answers to this week's

crossword puzzle

(puzzle on p.6)

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LSUS PILOTS '95 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME	GAMES/INNINGS
MARCH					
1	Wed	Jarvis Christian College	LSUS	1:00 pm	2/7
3	Fri	Huston-Tillotson College *	Austin, TX	2:00 pm	1/9
4	Sat	Huston-Tillotson College *	Austin, TX	12:00 pm	2/7
10	Fri	Centenary College	Shreveport, LA	1:00 pm	1/9
11	Sat	Hendrix College	Conway, AR	1:00 pm	2/7
12	Sun	University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh	Conway, AR	1:00 pm	2/7
17	Fri	Houston Baptist University *	Houston, TX	2:00 pm	1/9
18	Sat	Houston Baptist University *	Houston, TX	12:00 pm	2/7
20	Mon	Jarvis Christian College	Hawkins, TX	1:00 pm	2/7
22	Wed	Northeast Louisiana University	Monroe, LA	7:00 pm	1/9
23	Thur	Tabor College	LSUS	1:00 pm	2/7
25	Sat	LeTourneau University *	Longview, TX	1:00 pm	2/7
26	Sun	Mt. Senario University	LSUS	1:00 pm	2/7
30	Thur	Louisiana College	Pineville, LA	4:00 pm	2/7

* Conference games Home games in bold

Foundation gets donation

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McLaurin restated Finley's criteria and added:

---peer evaluation;

---chair evaluation;

---effectiveness in committee service;

---community service such as guest lecturing or speaking to civic clubs;

---and research.

"Professors must do research," McLaurin said. "They must remain current and active in professional organizations. They must be giving papers at professional meetings and publishing articles in professional journals."

$80,000 in private donations were given to the LSUS Foundation with the understanding that Chancellor John Darling could use the money at his discretion. The Chancellor will identify an area in which he sees the greatest financial need and appoint a committee that will make recommendations.

"Anyone or any business can make a contribution to the Foundation specifying how they wish the dollars spent," said Leonard Selber, vice chancellor of university relations. "The Chancellor can do with those dollars legally whatever he wants on behalf of the university. He can determine two or three areas that are worthy of some dollars at this time, that's a judgement call.

"There are so many needs and there are limited dollars to be dispersed. His determination was that we should consider some faculty awards," Selber said. "He (Darling) turned that over to the provost to develop and come back with a recommendation about how the dollars should be spent.

"As of yet, I don't know if the individuals have been selected," Selber said. "You can't please everyone all the time."

Darling said the donation is private money in the LSUS Foundation and he hasn't decided how to spend it.

Landrieu visits campus

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"I was always active in student government, but I never thought I'd enter politics," she said. "And I think that's because I thought politics were for men. I thought I'd marry a politician, like my mother did. I never considered running for public office until I was working in a friend's campaign and others brought it to my attention."

In 1979 at the age of 23, Landrieu campaigned for a seat in the state legislature and won. She served two terms in the House of Representatives before being elected to her current post as state treasurer. Landrieu is serving her second term as treasurer while preparing her 1996 gubernatorial campaign.

"Serving in public office is not about being popular; it is about influence it is about leadership; even if the majority is not with you," she said. "I think we need to be more fiscally responsible...commit ourselves to honesty and integrity in public office...and create a government that realizes that gambling is not the future of this state, education is."

Although Landrieu said that education plays an integral role in Louisiana's posterity, she has not yet developed a clear plan on how she would work to promote higher education if she were elected governor.

Before taking questions from the audience, Landrieu closed her speech by encouraging Louisianians to demand more accountability from those in government. She said that Louisiana's future depends upon the ability of its citizenry to promote one another's welfare.

Dr. Helen Taylor, associate professor of English, organized Landrieu's visit.

"I invited her to campus to show women students that it is possible to be successful and go far in political life," Taylor said. "She shows that women can go far in the state of Louisiana."